Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An image management system which comprises image management terminals and an image management server, in which image data are managed using management information of said image data, wherein

said image management terminals are provided with switchover control means for sending said image data and said management information stored in said image management terminals to said image management server according to instructions from a user and sharing attribute information, said sharing attribute information indicating whether said image data corresponding to said management information provided in advance in said management information should be sent to said image management server, and said sharing attribute information being included in said management information, and

said image management server are provided with switchover image registration means for registering with specific storage means said image data and said management information acquired from said image management terminals.

2-11. (Cancelled)

12. (Currently Amended) A image management terminal wherein image data are managed using management information of said image data, said terminal provided with

switchover control means for sending said image data and said management information stored in said image management terminal to a specific image management server according to instructions from a user and sharing attribute information, said sharing attribute information indicating whether said image data corresponding to said management information provided in advance in said management information should be sent to said image management server, and said sharing attribute information being included in said management information.

13-15. (Cancelled)

16. (Currently Amended) An image management method for management of image data using management information of said image data, said method comprising the steps of:

sending said image data and said management information stored in a specific image management terminal to a specific image management server according to instructions from a user and sharing attribute information, said sharing attribute information indicating whether image data corresponding to said management information provided in advance in said management information should be sent to said image management server, and said sharing attribute information being included in said management information, and

switchover image registration step for registering with specific storage means said image data and said management information acquired from said image management terminal.

17. (Cancelled)

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18. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium, bearing a program for management of image data using management information of said image data, said program, when executed, causing a computer to perform the steps of:

accepting instructions of users, and

sending said image data and said management information stored in a specific image management terminal to a specific image management server on the basis of said instructions and sharing attribute information, said sharing attribute information indicating whether said image data corresponding to said management information provided in advance in said management information should be sent to said image management server, and said sharing attribute information being included in said management information.

19-23. (Cancelled)